

***IN THE CLAIMS***

Please amend claims 1, 4-7. Attached hereto are marked up copies of the amended claims, and a clean set of claims as amended.

***IN THE SPECIFICATION***

Please amend the following paragraphs, sections or pages of the specification and/or abstract. Attached hereto are marked up copies of the amended specification parts, and a clean set of those parts as amended.

Page 1, line 1, replace the title with --System and Method for Queue-less Enforcement of Queue-like Behavior on Multiple Threads Accessing a Scarce Resource--.

Page 25, line 1, replace the title with --System and Method for Queue-less Enforcement of Queue-like Behavior on Multiple Threads Accessing a Scarce Resource--.